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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN RUM STANDARDS

1. SOUTH AFRICAN DELEGATE TO MTN 3(B) WG PRIVATELY DISCUSSED WITH US OUR NEW (JAN 74) NTB COMPLAINT AGAINST SOUTH AFRICAN LEGAL DEFINITION OF RUM WHICH PRECLUDES IMPORTATION OF PUERTO RICAN RUM. SOUTH AFRICAN REP CONFIRMED SAG POSITION RECORDED AT END OF NTB INVENTORY ITEM 316 ABOUT WILLINGNESS CONSIDER POSSIBLE RELAXATION OF EXISTING PROVISIONS IN MTN CONTEXT. HE SUGGESTED INITIATIVE FOR A NEW DEFINITION OF RUM TO DISPOSE OF THIS COMPLAINT SHOULD COME FROM US AS SA AUTHORITIES DO NOT KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF PUERTO RICAN RUM TO DO SO. SA REP STRESSED HIS AUTHORITIES ARE IN NO HURRY TO RESOLVE MATTER

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(I.E. IT IS A POSSIBLE SA CONCESSION IN MTN) BUT

HE WANTED US TO KNOW SAG CONSIDERS BALL IN OUR COURT.

2. COMMENT. THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT COULD EASILY BE
OVERLOOKED WHEN BIGGER MTN ISSUES ARE UNDER NE-
GOTIATION. WE ALSO ASSUME SAG UNLIKELY ACCEPT A US
DRAFT ON SPOT AND SEVERAL SLOW EXCHANGES OF LETTERS
MAY BE NEEDED. WE SUGGEST APPROPRIATE WASHINGTON EXPERTS
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SA RECEPTIVITY IN PRINCIPLE TO A
REDEFINITION BY STARTING THE NECESSARY TECHNICAL
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